

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE **COMMISSION**

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#### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)								
1. Name and Address of Reportin				3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol				
Person *		Statement		PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [PIRS]				
Yoder Stephen S.		onth/Day/Year] /29/2015	)					
	ddle)	29/2015	4.	Relationsh	ip of Reportin	g	5. If Amer	ndment, Date Original
C/O PIERIS				Person(s) to Issuer			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
PHARMACEUTICALS,					all applicable	,		
INC., LISE-MEITNER-STR	ASSE			X_ Director X Officer (g	10% C	wner (specify		
30				le below)	below)	(-F)		
(Street)			_	CEO	and President		6. Individu	ual or Joint/Group
								ck Applicable Line)
FREISING-								ed by One Reporting Person
WEIHENSTEPHAN, 2M 85	354						Person	d by More than One Reporting
(City) (State) (Z	Zip)	Tak	ole I - Non	-Derivati	ve Securitie	es Ben	eficially (	Owned
1.Title of Security			mount of Se		3.			ect Beneficial
(Instr. 4)			eficially Ow	ned	Ownership	Owne	•	
		(Ins	tr. 4)		Form: Direct	(Instr.	5)	
					(D) or Indirect (I)			
					(Instr. 5)			
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.  SEC 1473 (7-02)  Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.								
Table II - Derivative	Securities 1	Beneficially O	wned ( <i>e.g.</i> , )	puts, calls,	warrants, opt	ions, c	onvertible	securities)
1. Title of Derivative Security	1	ercisable and	1	Amount of	T	5.		6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4) Expiration Date		n Date Securities Under			nderlying Conversion O		wnership	Beneficial Ownership
(Month/Day/Year)		Berryalive Security of 1			or Exerc		Form of	(Instr. 5)
			(Instr. 4)		Price of		erivative ecurity:	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares	r Security	Security Di or (I)		
Stock Option (right to buy)	<u>(1)</u>	12/17/2024	Common Stock	1,280,00	0 \$ 2	(1	nstr. 5)	
			Stock					
Reporting Owners								

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
		10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Yoder Stephen S.						
C/O PIERIS PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.	X		CEO and President			
LISE-MEITNER-STRASSE 30	Λ		CLO and I resident			
FREISING-WEIHENSTEPHAN, 2M 85354						

# **Signatures**

/s/ Marc D. Mantell, Attorney-in-fact		06/29/2015
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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Signature of resporting reison	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Seventy-five percent of the stock option, or 960,000 shares, vests in equal quarterly installments over a thirty-six month period, beginning on March 31, 2015.

#### Remarks:

Exhibit 24.1 - Power of Attorney

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of, Steven S. Yoder and Darlene Deptula-Hicks of Pieris Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Anne Leland, Jacquelyn Cannata, Marc Mantell and Caroline Gammill of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C. signing singly, with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, forms and authentication documents for EDGAR Filing Access;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such forms and authentication documents;
- (3) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder:
- (4) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (5) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact, on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney, shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed this 16th day of June, 2015.

/s/ Stephen S. Yoder

Stephen S. Yoder